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SUBJ: SPECIAL SELF-HELP FUNDS (SSH) FOR FY75

REF A. STATE 116504 B. COTONOU 648 C. SEGALL-CHESHES

LTR OF 15 APRIL

SUMMARY: WE HAVE EXHAUSTED OUR FY75 SELF-HELP FUNDS, AND
STILL HAVE A NUMBER OF URGENT COMMITMENTS TO FILL ASAP. RE-
QUIRE \$13,750 FROM REALLOCATION OF FALL-OUT FUNDS FOR FY75.
END SUMMARY

1. WE HAVE EXHAUSTED OUR FY75 SELF-HELP \$59,000 ALLOCATION
AS FOLLOWS:

IAA-75-13 -- FOR FIRST GROUP OF 50 CHICKENS FOR POULTRY-
RAISING COOPERATIVE AT THE ADJOHOUN SECONDARY SCHOOL. COST
\$300.

IAA-75-14 THROUGH 16 -- CONSTRUCTION OF PRIMARY SCHOOLS AT
KINKINOUE, HONTON AND SAHOUE-HOUEYOBGE. \$3,500 FOR EACH
SCHBOL.

IAA-75-17 -- PART OF THE MATERIAL FOR BUILDING A BULL TRAIN-
ING AND BREEDING CENTER AT ALLAGBAVE AS PART OF A VILLAGE-
LEVEL ANIMAL TRACTION PROGRAM. COST \$250.

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IAA-75-18 -- COMPLETION OF PRIMARY SCHOOL AT GLAZOUE. COST

\$2,850.

IAA-75-19 -- \$1,000 FOR COMPLETION OF PRIMARY SCHOOL AT MONKPA.

IAA-75-20 THROUGH -22 -- PILOT PROJECT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SIX LATRINES AT SIX DIFFERENT SCHOOLS IN THREE PROVINCES. LATRINE CONSTRUCTION BEING UNDERTAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH HYGIENE EDUCATION PROGRAM CONDUCTED BY PC VOLS. IAA-75-20 -- ONE LATRINE IN MONO PROVINCE \$500; 75-21 -- TWO LATRINES IN OUEME PROVINCE \$1,000; 75-22 -- THREE LATRINES IN BORGOU PROVINCE \$1,500. IAA-75-23 -- COMPLETION OF IGOLO PRIMARY SCHOOL \$850.

2. SIGNATURES OF AGREEMENTS FOR FOREGOING PROJECTS SET FOR MAY 27, 28 AND 30. ABOVE PROJECTS TOTAL \$18,750.

3. URGENTLY REQUIRE \$13,750 FROM REALLOCATION OF FALLOUT FUNDS FOR FY75 IN ORDER TO MEET COMMITMENTS MADE BY EMBASSY. AS NOTED IN PARA 5 OF REF B, WE HAD TOLD SPONSORS OF ACCEPTABLE PROJECTS THAT AGREEMENTS WOULD BE SIGNED BEFORE END OF FY75. AT TIME COMMITMENTS MADE, EMBASSY UNDERSTANDING (BASED ON REF C) WAS THAT WE WOULD HAVE \$74,000 AVAILABLE DURING THIS FISCAL YEAR.

4. ADDITIONAL FUNDS REQUESTED IN PARA 3 ABOVE ARE REQUIRED TO MEET COMMITMENTS FOR THE PROJECTS LISTED BELOW FOR WHICH AGREEMENTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN DRAWN UP. IT IS URGENT FOR THESE SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED SOONEST SO THAT 1) WORK MAY BE COMPLETED IN TIME FOR REOPENING OF SCHOOL IN OCT, AND 2) SO THAT PUPILS CAN ASSIST IN CONSTRUCTION DURING SUMMER VACATION.

IAA-75-24 -- COMPLETION OF PRIMARY SCHOOL AT GBECON-HOUEGBO \$2,700

IAA-75-25 -- CONSTRUCTION OF OUESSE PRIMARY SCHOOL \$3,500.

IAA-75-26 -- CONSTRUCTION OF GLOTOMEY PRIMARY SCHOOL \$3,500.

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IAA-75-27 -- CONSTRUCTION OF HONVE-COME PRIMARY SCHOOL \$3,500.

IAA-75-28 -- COMPLETION OF SEKOU PRIMARY SCHOOL \$650.

THERE IS ALSO ONE ADDITIONAL PROJECT FOR \$250 TO HELP RE-CONSTRUCT A STORM-DAMAGED WORKSHOP PREVIOUSLY BUILT UNDER VV SELF HELP AT TONDIKOARIA. WORKSHOP IS USED AS PART OF VILLAGE-LEVEL ANIMAL TRACTION PROGRAM.

5. IN VIEW OF CUT IN REGION-WIDE FUNDS WE HAVE REGRETFULLY
POSTPONED A NUMBER OF OTHER PROJECTS UNTIL FY76. THOSE
LISTED ABOVE REPRESENT THE MINIMUM TO WHICH WE COULD PARE DOWN
LIST AND STILL MAINTAIN CREDIBILITY.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT DEPT ALLOCATE ASAP AS MUCH OF THE
\$13,750 AS POSSIBLE AND PROVIDE REMAINDER AS IT BECOMES ABAIL-
ABLE BEFORE END OF FY75.
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